

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 8

SUNDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Saturday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners, including Best Play winner TOUR DA BRONX (\$10.60); and 6th race trifecta for \$166 on a \$60 total investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 5, 7 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. NOBLE MASTERPIECE (4) 2. SPRIGGZEE (5) 3. ROYAL CLASSIC (1)

2nd race--

1. CHARMIN DOT (4) 2. LA SWING (3) 3. RED OPAL (1)

*****3rd race--**

1. COUNT ORANGE (3) 2. WATCH OVER ME (2) 3. TUG O' WAR (1)

Although only five line up for this, I like the chances of third choice COUNT ORANGE (3-1). Making his first start off the Canani claim (had been a Guillot, prior to that Knapp), 'ORANGE has shown a liking for Cushion Track in the past and worked very well for his new trainer. Make a Win Bet at 5-2 or better, and play the Daily Double keying 'ORANGE to I DIG HER (4-1) and BARBARA'S LOVE (9-5) in the 4th race.

Daily Double: 3/2,6

4th race--

1. I DIG HER (6) 2. BARBARA'S LOVE (2) 3. QUEEN OF THE I. E. (5)

*****5th race--**

1. OUR PARTNER (5) 2. WELLNESSFAST (4) 3. CASUAL THUNDER (2)

Any time Casual Thunder is the 2-1 favorite, you are forced to play the race. OUR PARTNER (5-2) has been second in three straight, including a solid runner-up try over this course last time out. He's been freshened for about six weeks but the Aguirre barn is having an excellent stand and 'PARTNER figures to fire a good shot again. Box him in the exacta with WELLNESSFAST (6-1), who has shown improvement after switching barns and being gelded. Last time he shipped up north to break his maiden while making his first start on grass.

Exacta Box: 4-5

6th race--

1. GO DAWG (3) 2. C'S SMOKIN (2) 3. JUST EM (6) 4. ITSHELSEAGIRL (4)

*****7th race--**

1. STELLINA (5) 2. MISS BERTRANDO (8) 3. GEM PALACE (3) 4. WILDCAT GIRL (6)

In a modest field of turf maidens, I will go with sharp STELLINA (3-1), who comes off a pair of solid Cushion Track efforts when facing high-priced maiden claimers. She steps up to go back on turf but this is a very soft field for the level and the Jones barn has been making all the right moves lately. Make a Win Bet on STELLINA at 5-2 or better, and key her in the trifecta over four horses in the second and third spots: GEM PALACE (5-1), ATA DYNAFORMER (10-1), WILDCAT GIRL (4-1) and MISS BERTRANDO (7-2). Also, play a second ticket using those four in the first and third spots, with STELLINA for second.

Trifecta numbers: 5/3,4,6,8/3,4,6,8=\$12 and 3,4,6,8/5/3,4,6,8=\$12

8th race--

1. LATIN RHYTHMS (5) 2. STORMY GRANT (7) 3. CELTIC DREAMIN (1)

9th race--

1. THEMIS VALENTINE (12) 2. PHOEBE'S SONG (1) 3. MON QUEEN (5) 4. HUMIDITY (7)

*****\$72 PICK 4 TICKET (races 6-9):**

6th race--C'S SMOKIN, GO DAWG, ITSHELSEAGIRL, JUST EM (Alternate: NONE)

7th race--STELLINA

8th race--CELTIC DREAMIN, LATIN RHYTHMS, STORMY GRANT (Alternate: POINTING STAR)

9th race--PHOEBE'S SONG, TRUCKEE TRANCE, MON QUEEN, HUMIDITY, PEACEFUL DREAMS, THEMIS VALENTINE (Alternate: TRIBAL FIRE)

Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,4,6/5/1,5,7/1,4,5,7,11,12=\$72

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